

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 601

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A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Terry McGill of Loudon.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Terry McGill; and

WHEREAS, Mr. McGill was an exemplary public servant and consummate professional who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for his fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, Terry McGill served with acumen and alacrity as owner and operator of the McGill-Karnes Funeral Home and the Loudon County Memorial Gardens, in which positions he earned the respect of all whom he served for his sensitive and caring nature and for the exemplary quality of his work; and

WHEREAS, a 1957 graduate of the Cincinnati School of Embalming, Mr. McGill utilized his training to serve hundreds of Loudon County families in times of bereavement; and

WHEREAS, Terry McGill also established a successful nineteen-year career with the Sears and Roebuck Company; and

WHEREAS, an active member of the Loudon County community, Mr. McGill was a charter member of the Loudon Merchant and Property Owners Association, an organization founded to improve downtown Loudon's business community; he was also a member of the

Loudon Rotary Club, the Piney Ruritan Club, the Loudon Lions Club, and the Community Club of Loudon; and

WHEREAS, truly a man with a servant's heart, Terry McGill helped organize the annual Loudon County Relay for Life, and this year's event will be held in tribute to this exceptional man who has been described as "a fine credit to Loudon"; and

WHEREAS, Mr. McGill was an enthusiastic and devout member of the Loudon United Methodist Church, which he served faithfully for many years; and

WHEREAS, Terry McGill was also deeply devoted to his family, and he always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, Mr. McGill enjoyed the loving companionship of his wife of 46 years, Kathryn McCracken McGill, and was the proud father of Kathryn Rene' Anderson, Rebecca and Rodney Willis, and Amy and Ross Millsaps; and

WHEREAS, while preceded in death by his parents, Lavana Jane Ring and the Reverend John Frederick McGill, and brothers Edgar Allen McGill and William Curtis McGill, Terry McGill will be dearly and daily missed by his siblings, Polly Whaley, Tommie and Don Bowman, Sue Wilkerson, Verda McGill, Barbara McGill, Betty June and Tom Ray, and Karen and Terry Jones, his grandchildren, Brittany Maneese Eller, Drew Bryan Carlton Eller, Addie Marie Willis, Tyler Allen Millsaps, and Caroline McGill Millsaps, and his several nieces and nephews; and

WHEREAS, Terry McGill leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional public servant and human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of Terry McGill, reflecting fondly upon his

impeccable character and his stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Mr. McGill.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.